SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Examiner's initiated telephonic conferences of October 17, 2006 and November 13, 2006, and further in response to the election/Restriction Requirement mailed July 26, 2006, Applicants submit the following Response.

Applicants respectfully elect with traverse the group/species limited to compounds wherein $R_1 = R_3 = H$ and further having the following features:

- Rf is a perfluoroalkyl of formula C_rF₂₊₁ where r is a positive integer ranging from 1 to 10 [support: pending claim 32];
- ψ-OH is an alkanoïc acid having from 1 to 8 carbon atoms having a pKa of at least equal to approximately 2 [support: pending claim 35].

Applicants respectfully submit that the aforementioned definition of the elected group provides for patentability searching.

Respectfully submitted,

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